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TO: Director, FBI (139-1201)

FROM: SAC, Miami (139-63)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
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(OO - Las Vegas)

EDWARD L. DU BOIS, JR., in re-interview reaffirmed the statement and produced American Express charges to support claim that ARTHUR BALLETTI and another individual, known only to him as J. HARRISON, left Miami 10/25/60, for Los Angeles, Calif., where they caught another plane to Las Vegas, Nev. Claims BALLETTI and HARRISON used return portions of tickets. Denies that HARRISON worked for him; claims HARRISON an employee of MAYHEW.

Re \$1,000.00 MAYHEW paid DU BOIS, DU BOIS claims that MAYHEW, while in Los Angeles on 10/31/60, telephonically contacted BALLETTI at Las Vegas and instructed him to go either to the Dunes or Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas, and contact a Mr. RICHARDSON, and that RICHARDSON would pay BALLETTI \$1,000.00 in cash. BALLETTI told DU BOIS that RICHARDSON allegedly well known at hotel and may be either owner or manager.

List of equipment confiscated at time of BALLETTI's arrest reviewed with DU BOIS. DU BOIS admits owning Minox

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camera, 35 mm Minifon camera, and Minifon tape recorder. Claims that this equipment is standard with his operators on a case. DU BOIS claims that MAYHEW has hired attorney who is brother-in-law of Attorney General in Nevada to defend BALLETTI, and expects charges against BALLETTI to be dropped. BALLETTI is still out of town on case and is not expected to return until 3/25/61, at which time he will be interviewed at earliest opportunity and report will be submitted. ✓

Registration card of J. A. ROLLINS at Kenilworth Hotel obtained and being sent FBI Laboratory under separate cover. ✓

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